

BACDSC General Meeting

Friday May 3, 2024

President Celia May Baldwin called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

Roll call resulted in a count of 51 members in attendance

Necrology: A departed member was recognized and remembered. A moment of silence was held for Linda Silver, Carol Reese, Leslie Zinza and Alice Obray.

Secretary Charles Holmes read the minutes from the November 3, 2023 meeting. They were accepted as corrected.

Officer's Reports:

President Celia May Baldwin:

- Dues for Jan 1, 2025 to December 31, 2027 will be \$10. Look for a membership renewal in your email.
- The BACDSC Board met on March 13, 2024
- Ken Norton generously donated \$2,500
- We donated \$500 to SLDSC as per their letter requesting financial help.
- Our rented storage in Dublin is being cleared out by Maureen and Paula.
- We will play VROOM games today!

First Vice President Paula Bryant:

- Holiday **BINGO** on December 8 was a huge success with amazing gnome decorations
- The December 13, 2024 Holiday Party will have a new theme.

Second Vice President Debbie Call:

- March 6-10 2024 Sewing Retreat in San Jaun Bautista was a success.
- Am on the By-Laws and Nominating Committee.
- Will work with Marta Barnes on Silver Hearts.
- Will help Jerry Grigsby with the September 7 Picnic.

Secretary Charles Holmes:

- Shared a thank you Card from the Deaf Sewing Club.
- Shared our letter to the San Leandro Deaf Seniors Club outlining BACDSC's generous contribution.
- Reminded members of the posting of minutes on the BACDSC website.

Treasurer Maureen Nieves:

- BACDSC beginning balance as of January 1, 2023: \$24,945.28
- BACDSC ending balance as of December 31, 2023: \$38,890.54
- Bingo ending Balance as of March 31, 2024: \$5,605.98

- DSC balance as March 31, 2024: \$6,780.12

Financial report was accepted as read.

Membership Director Kat Farr:

- 212 members
- 5 new members
- 15 members 90 years of age or older (free membership)
 - William Booth
 - Mary Grigsby
 - Ronald Hirano
 - Benny Jason
 - Joanna Jauregui
 - Beverly Lane
 - Rose Lupo
 - Richard Mussen
 - Kenneth Norton
 - Madeline Perlow
 - Marie Ramos
 - Stanley Smith
 - Phyllis Vidicki
 - Kuo Chone Wong
 - Zhang Pinyin

- Any change of contact information, let Kat Farr know

Event Director Jerry Grigsby:

- **Estate Planning** by Susan Gonzales was very informative. 10 members attended.
- **May 28 iPhone workshop** will be Skippy's last.
- **Picnic** will be September 7, 2024 in Pleasanton.
- **DCARA Workshops/field trips** to be announced at a later date.
- **A Military Weapons Tour** is pending.
- Volunteers needed for the Picnic and Holiday Luncheon.

Trustees' (Jerry Grigsby/Gene Duve/ Darla Holmes/Ethan Bernstein) Report:

- Kramer would like to be more aggressive with investments to lead to a bigger potential profit.
 - As of March 31, 2024
 - Kramer balance: \$1,149,509.39
 - Merrill Lynch balance: \$654,076.18

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*Jerry Grigsby (Debbie Goodman) moved that BACDSC pays each Senior club **\$50 per month** to help offset rental fees for their members.
REFERRED TO THE BOARD -*

- The Board decided that Jerry's motion will not happen as organizations have different needs and that organizations may ask for assistance at any time. Requests for sponsorship/assistance should be made as a group. President Celia May has contacted each organization individually to explain this.

NEW BUSINESS

- Barbara Morrison (V. Finneran) moved to reverse the proposed removal of Article II Section 2.1 B and C of the By-Laws. MOTION FAILED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Walnut Creek Deaf Seniors is averaging 20 members per meeting
- Nancy Baldwin, representing the San Leandro Deaf Seniors, thanks the BACDSC for their \$500 contribution.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 am

Respectfully submitted by BACDSC Secretary Charles Holmes